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## **Arizona Supreme Court Holds Oral Argument Calendar in Prescott**

PHOENIX, AZ -- The Arizona Supreme Court continues its practice of holding court sessions in communities around the state when its five justices hold oral arguments on two scheduled cases at Prescott High School, 1050 N. Ruth Street, on Thursday, April 29, 2004. The public is invited to attend, along with students and their parents as the court presides in a 9:30 a.m. oral argument.

Twice a year, the Supreme Court holds oral arguments at the state's two university law schools in Tucson and Tempe, but two other times a year, the court also leaves its formal facilities near the state capitol in Phoenix and travels to communities in counties around the state.

Admission to these oral arguments is free, and the community-based session is part of the Supreme Court's effort to increase the public's access to the workings of the state's highest appellate court.

At the conclusion of the second oral argument on the Court's calendar, roughly expected to be around 11:00-11:15 a.m., all five justices will be available to answer questions from audience members. Citizens are encouraged to take advantage of this unique opportunity to speak directly with the justices on topics of interest, although the justices are prohibited from responding to questions about specific cases still pending before the Court.

Those wishing to attend the Court's community session are reminded that the Court requires appropriate attire for oral arguments and items such as ball caps and sunglasses are not permitted during session.

To read the Supreme Court's *Guide to Oral Arguments* brochure, please visit the Court's web site at <http://supreme.state.az.us/azsupreme>. For press coverage protocol, please visit <http://www.supreme.state.az.us/media/default.htm>.

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